

The Christian Visitor

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Sphere of Influence

I have a confession to make... Over the years, I have written hundreds of articles for church newsletters and rarely have I done so expecting that what I had to say would make much of a difference in anybody's life. That began to change recently when someone commented on the number of people who read these articles on Facebook and another person shared that God spoke to them in a powerful way through something I once wrote. In both instances, I found myself surprised and a little caught off guard. It made me think of sermon I once heard about the *Sphere of Influence* that every person has and almost every person also tends to underestimate.

The concept is simple. Every person has a certain number of individuals they come in contact with on a regular basis and this is called our *Sphere of Influence*. For some people this circle is large and for others it is small. For most of us it is somewhere in between, but each is incredibly important. Whether we are adults or children, teachers or students, ministers or mechanics, our words and actions can affect the people we come in contact with in a positive or a negative way. No one person can change the entire world, but we can all contribute a great deal to changing *OUR* world regardless of how large or small it may be. I believe that every great man or woman who ever lived recognized and embraced this truth.

Scripture tells us that blessing always comes with responsibility. Luke 12:48 says it this way, "When someone has been given much, much will be required in return." (NLT). This responsibility is not to be taken lightly, but it is not intended to be a burden or something to be feared either. Each of us has an opportunity to be a blessing and a source of encouragement to the people around us. When we are aware of this it can help us make good decisions and be a better example. Because, whether we realize it or not, people are watching and listening (and reading).

Blessings, Pastor Matt

Like our Facebook Pages!

Did you know the church has a Facebook page? We post pictures and updates from time to time. "Like" us and "check-in" when you're here to stay connected with your church family!

www.facebook.com/fccatchison

<https://www.facebook.com/AtchisonCountyFoodPantryatFirstChristianChurch>

The Churches Website

Check it Out: www.fccatchison.net

Christian Visitor Deadline

Deadline: Monday, February 6, 2017 - 4 p.m.

Published: Wednesday, February 8, 2017

This issue will include worship information for February 12 & 19. The deadline for the next issue is February 20, 2017 and will include worship information for February 26 and March 5 as well as the March calendar, birthdays and anniversaries. Please have your items either typed or written out. It is difficult to take this information over the phone. You may also email your information to the church at fccatch@sbcglobal.net.

Please Notify The Church Office

- If anyone in your family goes into the hospital.
- When your group plans to have a meeting.
- When a member of your family leaves home for college or to establish a new residence.
- When you're planning to move out of town or locally.
- When your phone number changes.
- When a new baby arrives in your family.
- When you feel the church can assist you in any way.
- When a new family moves into your neighborhood.
- When someone needs to be placed on, OR taken off of the Prayer List.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES



Atchison County Food Pantry @ FCC

The food pantry is open on Mondays from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Wednesdays from 4:30-6 p.m. and Fridays from 10:00-11:30 am and is located in the basement entrance off of Santa Fe St.

Please call the church office, 367-3036 if you would like to help. The Food Pantry is an important ministry in our community. Please check out our page on Facebook & Like us - Atchison County Food Pantry @ First Christian Church. *Monetary donations are accepted too!*

Needs for January: Canned Tomatoes, Canned Potatoes, Pork 'n Beans, Boxed Rice, Bar Soap or Body Wash

Needs for February: Spaghetti, Spaghetti Sauce, Hot & Cold Cereal, Crackers, Canned or Individual Fruit, Toothpaste, Bar Soap

Loaves & Fishes Schedule

Saturday's

Feb.11 April 22 June 17 Aug. 19 Oct. 21 Dec. 16

Meals are served and deliveries made from First Christian Church. Sign-up sheets for volunteering are on the table in the coffee room (near annex). We need volunteers for kitchen helpers at 9 am and drivers and helpers to deliver meals to the homebound of Atchison at 10:15 am. If you have questions, contact Barb Piper, 913-255-2461

Remember In Prayers

Rose Bahr, Alex Blunt, Helen Birkinsha, Betty Blide, Delbert & Diana Boatright, Kathy Botts, Isola Burdette, Brenda Callahan, Melinda Calhoon, Bryson Connell, Jerry Daniel, Bill Dorsey, Sr., Bob Dunn, Earnestine Engeman, Marion Ehret, Raymond Felton, Steve Germani, Marilyn Glenn, Alana Hale, Sherri Hart, Charlie Harris, Karla Harter, Phyllis Haynes, Mercedes Hoffman, Mike Horton, Maggie Kane, Tracy Kane, Beverly Kennedy, Larry Kibler, Charlotte Kime, Drew & Andrea (Jacobson) Korschott Family, Elaine Krusemark, Jeff Kuhnert, Edith "Edie" Kurtz, Laney Ledbedder, Shirley Linck, Naesha Low, Ruthanna Marlatt, Mike McDermed, Lila Mercer, Byran Meyer, Pat Montgomery, Pam Mullins, Jan Otte, Steve Otte, Amanda Shewey, Juanita Shufflebarger, Mark Shufflebarger, Becky Smith, Jim Smith, Sharon Sowers, Gary Stecher, Matt Stout, Sarah Szymanski, Glen Thorne, Karen Tollefson, Lillie Truman, Elfreda Walz, Amy and Mitch West, Tony Wilburn, Pam Williamson, Chris Wilson, Michelle Wilson and Family, Nora Wohlgemuth, Debbie Young. [**IF WE CAN TAKE ANYONE OFF OF THIS PRAYER LIST, PLEASE NOTIFY ROSIE AT THE CHURCH OFFICE**]

Military

Ryan Callahan, Joshua Lambert, Nicholas Cline, Sean McCaffery, Anton Mak, Jesse McGlade, Nick Davison, Curtis Ellis, Jerry Michaels, John Humbard, Robert Dickson, Justin Ruhlman, Quentin Rivers, Kevan Birkinsha, Carlos Betts-Coffey, Ryan Thomas, Daniel Collins

Attendance

January 8, 2017 Services Cancelled due to bad weather
January 22, 2017 9 a.m. – 103 10:45 a.m. – 87 SS – 40

Visitors January 22

Krystal & John Erhart, Kassandra Alexander, Jeff Walker, Debbie Schneider, Zoie Cummings, Ruby Huhn, Lisa Jordan

Christian Education

Youth Sunday School Classes

10:00 AM in the educational building

Pre-K & K – Stacie Dougherty, Pam & Shawn Rizza & Isabelle Beckett

1st & 2nd Grades – Vicki Tate & Shanae Randolph

3rd, 4th and 5th Grades – Brooke Genail & Christen Lacey

Middle School (6th, 7th & 8th Grades) – Russ Cooper

Sr. High School (9th, 10th, 11th & 12th Grades – Debra Mikkelson & Ronda McDaniel

Adult Sunday School Classes

- 9:30 AM in the choir room in the educational building – Friendship Class led by Keith Rawson
- 10 AM in the Memorial Chapel - Logos Class led by Jack Albright
- 10:10 AM in the Resource Room on 2nd floor of educational building for ages 18 – 25 led by Pastor Matt.
- 10:10 AM in the library/parlor (next to Wolf Hall) Led by Carolyn Rodina. Book of James from the Life Lessons with Max Lucado.



Fifth Sunday Service

Sunday, January 29, 2017

9:00 AM Sunday School Classes

10:00 AM Blended Worship Service

11:15 AM All Church Spaghetti Lunch

Youth Group Fundraiser – monies raised will be used for the summer mission trip to Denver, CO. Menu: Spaghetti with sauce, Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert, Drinks.



Youth Group Schedule

- February 1 – Chi Rho Spring Retreat Registrations and \$33 Fee Due
- February 5 – No Meeting
- February 12 – 4 pm Youth Group Meeting
- February 13 – CYF Spring Retreat Registrations and \$33 Fee Due
- February 19 – No Meeting
- February 24–26 Chi Rho Spring Retreat @ Camp Tawakoni-leave 3:15 pm (24th)

Dishes and Containers

If you have provided a food items for a recent funeral dinner or All Church potluck please check to see if you have a cake pan, casserole dish or container here at the church. We have an abundance of dishes in the kitchen downstairs. Please check the gray cart or on the counter to see if one belongs to you.



CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP (C.W.F.)

The CWF of FCC will hold it's monthly meeting on Monday, January 30, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. in Wolf Hall. We will have our Installation of Officers for 2017. All ladies of the church are welcome to join us as we begin a new Just Women Bible study "The Table & Beyond: Lavish Hospitality in the

Bible". I will teach the first lesson "Let the little children come". Scripture passages for this are: Matthew 19:13-15; Mark 9:33-37 and Luke 18:15-17.

Blessings, *Susan Cummings*

Christian Sympathy Is Extended To:



MICHELLE and ATTICUS WILSON and MAIZEY LANG on the loss of their husband and father JAMES WILSON who passed away on Monday, January 16, 2017. A funeral celebration of Life Services for James were held on Monday, January 23rd at the United Christian Presbyterian Church in Bedford, Iowa.



The family of WAYNE OREAN HALE (daughters Tammy Parrott and Amy Oswalt and families) who passed away on Thursday, January 19, 2017. Funeral services for Wayne were held on Tuesday, January 24th at the Becker-Dyer-Stanton Funeral Home with Pastor Russ officiating.

MEMBERSHIP MINISTRY TEAM EVENTS

Church Dinners Out

Saturday, February 4th – Metropolitan Steakhouse, 1501 Metropolitan Leavenworth, KS

Saturday, March 11th – Galvin's Dinner House, 6802 S 22nd Street in St. Joseph, MO

The bus will leave at 5:30 pm from church parking lot (for both dinners out). Our reservations are for 6 pm. A sign-up sheet for the bus is located in the coffee room. If you ride the bus, we ask for a \$2 gas donation.



Kansas City
T-Bones
vs

Sioux City, IA Explorers

Saturday, June 24, 2017

Game time is 7:05 pm

Bus will leave at 5:30 pm from the church parking lot
Tickets are \$10.50 each \$2 gas donation if riding the bus

Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 14, 2017

6:30 pm Elders, Deacons, Deaconess Training

7:30 pm Board Meeting

9:00 AM Sunday School Classes
10:00 AM Blended Worship Service
11:15 AM Youth Fundraiser
Spaghetti Lunch

9 a.m. People of Praise Service
9:30 & 10:00 & 10:10 a.m. Adult SS Classes
10 a.m. Children & Youth SS Classes
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship

Fifth Sunday
January 29, 2017

Elders: Cindy Hoverson and Vicki Tate

Servers: Rusty Randolph, Steve Tate, Heidie Hennen, Tammy Parrott, Linda Stecher

Greeters: Parking Lot – Buddy Baldrige
7th Street – Sharon Baldrige
Santa Fe – Janet Pruett

Communion Cleanup: Lavern Fitkin and Tiny Kibler

Acolyte & Helper: Nathan Randolph and Rusty Randolph

Worship Leader: Cindy Jacobson

Sunday, February 5 2017

9:00 Servers: Barb Piper, Rhonda Shell, Kevin Dykstra, Gary and Peggy Wohlgenuth, Linda and Ron Tuley

9:00 Greeters: Parking Lot – Helen Birkinsha
7th Street – Ronda McDaniel
Santa Fe – Pat West

10:45 Elders: Phyllis Walton and Jeff Caudle

10:45 Servers: Buddy Baldrige, Jeremy Ellis, Carole Baker, Kylee Kottman, Janet Pruett

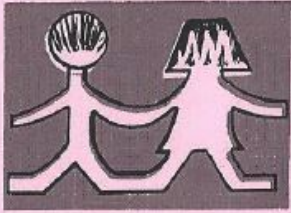
10:45 Greeters: Parking Lot – Mary Anna Dove
7th Street – Sharon Sowers
Santa Fe – Jeremy Ellis

10:45 Preparers & Cleanup: Teri Kuhnert and Lucille Rawson

10:45 Acolyte & Helper: Layne Tate and Kylee Kottman

Worship Leader: Tammy Parrott

Shut-In Communion: Team 1 – Rhonda Shell & Linda Stecher
Team 2 – Carolyn Rodina & Tony Wilburn



The Atchison Child Care Assoc.



1326 Kansas Ave
Atchison KS 66002

Carry Outs
Available



Mrs. Schraders "Grand Finale"
Chili & Soup Supper
Thursday, February 9, 2017
4:30-6:30 pm



Pay As You
Please

Tell Your Family, Friends and Co-Workers

All funds raised will help us up grade east playground



Silent Auction and Bake Sale

(Silent Auction will begin Mon. Feb 6th - Thurs. Feb. 9th @6:30pm)

Thank you for all your support.



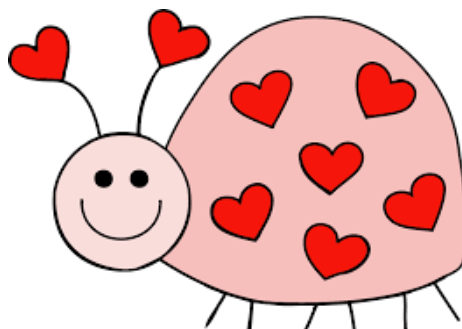



BIRTHDAYS

- 3 - RHODA BUTNER, AMY WEST
- 4 - JANET CORNING, DIANNA KRUGER, EDITH KURTZ
- 6 - ROD HALE
- 7 - MATTIE DOUGHERTY, MORGAN SUMPTER
- 8 - JEANNA MCQUARIE
- 10 - ASHLEY GRAY, JODY SCOTT
- 11 - KIERA KEMP, MISTY MILLER, SARAH SZYMANSKI
- 12 - KAY DOLENZ
- 14 - ASHTON APPEL, GEORGIA APPEL, MADISON APPEL, RONDA MCDANIEL
- 16 - RUTH KRUSEMARK
- 17 - LOGAN MARTIN
- 18 - RAY MONTGOMERY, LILLIE TRUMAN
- 19 - KRISTI OLSON
- 22 - LEE SMITH
- 24 - LAURA DRAPER
- 25 - SHARON COOPER, LOUISE PRUETT, RUTH STUCKY
- 28 - ROGER PHILLIPPE

ANNIVERSARIES

- 7 - BILL & RHONDA SHELL
- 19 - DAVID & LOIS REID



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Chi Rho Spring Retreat Registrations & \$33 due 4:30-6 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm Peacemakers 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7:00 pm Praise Team	2 7-8:30 pm Cub Scout Pack #92 Pinewood Derby in Wolf Hall	3 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	4 5:30 pm Leave from church parking lot 6 pm Church Dinner Out @ Metropolitan Steak House in Leavenworth
5 9 am POP Service 9:30 am Friendship SS 10 & 10:10 Sunday School 10 am KAIR Radio 10:45 am Worship NO Youth Group	6 1-3 pm Food Pantry 4 pm <i>Christian Visitor</i> deadline info. for 2/12 & 19 6:30 pm EfM in chapel 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts in Wolf Hall	7 4 pm Membership Ministry Team meeting in chapel	8 4:30-6 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm Peacemakers 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7:00 pm Praise Team	9 8:30 am – 3 pm CWF Sewing Group in Wolf Hall	10 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	11 First Christian Church to prepare and serve meals for Loaves & Fishes Feeding Ministry
12 9 am POP Service 9:30 am Friendship SS 10 & 10:10 Sunday School 10 am KAIR Radio 10:45 am Worship 2 pm Meadowlark 4-H 4 pm Youth Group	13 CYF Spring Retreat Registrations & \$33 due 1-3 pm Food Pantry 6:30 pm EfM in chapel 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts	14 6:30 pm Elders, Deacons & Deaconesses Training 7:30 pm Board Meeting	15 4:30-6 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm Peacemakers 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7:00 pm Praise Team	16	17 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	18
19 Week of Compassion 9 am POP Service 9:30 am Friendship SS 10 & 10:10 Sunday School 10 am KAIR Radio 10:45 am Worship NO Youth Group 6 pm Black History Service	20 1-3 pm Food Pantry 4 pm <i>Christian Visitor</i> deadline info. for 2/26 & 3/5 March calendar, birthdays & anniversaries 6:30 pm EfM in chapel 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts in Wolf Hall	21	22 4:30-6 pm Food Pantry 5:30 pm Peacemakers 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7:30 pm Praise Team	23	24 10-11:30 am Food Pantry	25 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Chi Rho Spring Retreat @ Camp Tawakoni through Sunday the 26th</div>
26 Week of Compassion ends 9 am POP Service 9:30 am Friendship SS 10 & 10:10 Sunday School 10 am KAIR Radio 10:45 am Worship	27 1-3 pm Food Pantry 2 pm CWF Meeting 6:30 pm EfM in chapel 7-8:30 pm Boy Scouts in Wolf Hall	28				

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